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YOUR NORTHERN ACCESS GUIDE

EARLY ENTRANCE STUDENT



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MY WVNCC STUDENT PORTAL

The [My WVNCC Student Portal](#) provides students with single sign-on access to the student web services such as Northern on the Web (N.O.W.), Blackboard Learning System, Student Email, and more! **You will need your acceptance letter from the college in order to log in.**

LOGGING INTO THE PORTAL

Username (Example: jfsmith1)

Password (N00000000 initial logon only)

Log On

From the College homepage - www.wvncc.edu - select the [Student Portal](#) link under the [Current Students](#) section and enter your username and password. Your username will always be your WVNCC email address without the '@mail.wvncc.edu'. For example, if your full WVNCC email address is 'jfsmith@mail.wvncc.edu', your username would be 'jfsmith'. Your password is your student ID with a capital N. Upon first logon, you must change your password. Passwords are case sensitive and must be at least 8 numbers or letters only (no special characters). You will also have to set up security questions that will allow you to access your account, should you forget your password or lock your account.

LOCKED ACCOUNT/PASSWORD RESET

If you have never logged into the portal and become locked out while trying to log on for the first time, you must contact your campus service center to have your account unlocked. To avoid this, please be sure that you follow the above instructions carefully.

If this is not your first time logging in, and you have previously selected your own password, select [Forgot Password](#) and enter your student ID number or username. Answer the security questions you set up during your first login and your account will be unlocked and your password reset back to your student ID. When you next log in, you will be required to change your password.

Password Reset

Please complete the following steps in order to reset your password. You will be required to provide the answers to your security questions.

Please enter your Student ID or username:

N00000000 or jdoe1

Begin Reset

ACCESSING SERVICES

The screenshot shows the My WVNCC Student Portal interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with the Northern logo and links for 'Change Password', 'Update Security Questions', 'Terms Of Service', and 'Sign Out'. Below this is a secondary navigation bar with 'Home', 'Announcements', 'Employee Directory', and 'Help/Support'. The main content area is divided into three columns. The first column has a 'Print Balance' section with a message about purchasing sheets. The second column has a 'Registration Status' section indicating the user is not registered for Summer 2019. The third column has a 'Financial Information' section stating the user owes nothing. Below these is a 'External Services' section with a grid of icons for N.O.W. Access, Email, Blackboard, Library, National Student Clearinghouse, courseval, brainfuse, and mylabs. To the right of this grid is a banner for the 'West Virginia Northern Certified Bookkeeper Program'.

The student portal home page will tell you important information such as your advisor, registration status, and financial information. You can update your address and phone number on this page as necessary.

Clicking one of the buttons in the middle of the page will open a new browser window/tab and automatically log you into various accounts, like your N.O.W. (Northern On the Web), Student Email, and Blackboard. Closing the new window/tab will log you out of that service and return you to the portal.

WVNCC STUDENT EMAIL

Official correspondence from the college is sent to your @mail.wvncc.edu email account, **therefore it is critical that you set up and monitor this account.**

From the [Student Portal](#), click the [Email](#) button and your email will open in a new tab. Upon initial setup, accept the terms in order to be taken to your inbox

REGISTRATION

As an Early Entrance student, you will not register yourself for coursework at WVNCC; instead, you tell WVNCC staff what you would like to register for on your Early Entrance application, which must be approved by your parent/guardian as well as a high school principal or designee. You will complete an Early Entrance application for each semester you wish to take classes at WVNCC.

If staff are unable to register you due to missing prerequisites or other errors, you will be contacted in an attempt to resolve the issue.

Be sure to use your WVNCC student email when you contact the college and address your message to one of the following accounts, based on which campus is nearest to you:

Wheeling students will email Tami Alfred at tbecker@wvncc.edu

Weirton students will contact Lisa Soly at lsoly@wvncc.edu

New Martinsville students will contact Ina Robinson at irobinson@wvncc.edu

ADDING A COURSE

You may submit an additional Early Entrance application if you would like to add courses beyond those listed on your original application for the semester. Providing there is a space open, students can add a class through the first week of the course.

DROPPING A COURSE

Email one of the accounts listed above from your WVNCC email account and indicate which course(s) you wish to drop. Students must drop courses by the deadlines posted in the [ACADEMIC CALENDAR](#) on the website under [CURRENT STUDENTS](#). Be sure to check with your high school counselor first if the course is also being used to satisfy high school requirements.

ONLINE WAITLIST

If a course is full when staff attempt to register you, you may be added to a waitlist to receive notifications if a space becomes available. Students can be added to the waitlist up to two weeks before the course begins, and notification of course openings ends the Thursday prior to the start of a course. Students notified of a course opening must have the proper prerequisites in order to register and have no active holds on their account preventing registration.

If you are waitlisted for a course, **CHECK YOUR WVNCC EMAIL DAILY**. When a space becomes available in a waitlisted class, the first person on the waitlist is notified by WVNCC email with instructions to register. Since Early Entrance students do not register themselves, you must forward this email notification to a WVNCC staff person at one of the emails listed above in order to be placed in the class.

Students have 48 hours after the notification is sent to register or they will be removed from the waitlist. The week before the semester begins, the time to register is shortened to 24 hours from notification. **Students are responsible for checking their WVNCC email and forwarding the email within the appropriate timeframe.**

TO VIEW A COPY OF YOUR SCHEDULE:

1. Log into your [STUDENT PORTAL](#) and choose the [N.O.W. ACCESS](#) button;
2. Select [STUDENT SERVICES](#);
3. Select [REGISTRATION](#);
4. Select [STUDENT DETAIL SCHEDULE](#);
5. Select term if prompted.

TUITION, FEES, & PAYMENT

Students registering for classes at West Virginia Northern Community College will be subject to the tuition and fees found on the College's web page at <https://www.wvncc.edu/future-students/tuition-and-fees-information/539>. Early Entrance students pay \$25 per credit hour plus a \$25 Early Entrance fee which is assessed once per semester. Fees are assessed for tuition payment plans, replacement ID cards or parking tags, returned checks, and processing for schedules of more than 18 credit hours.

The College policy requires tuition to be paid prior to the beginning of each term. Any unpaid balances will be pursued for payment to the fullest extent in accordance with state and federal law and according to College procedures.

PAYMENT DUE DATE / "LAST DAY TO PAY"

If you did not include a check or money order with your Early Entrance application, payment must be completed by the "last day to pay" as listed in the [ACADEMIC CALENDAR](#) under the [CURRENT STUDENTS](#) section of the website. After this date, payment arrangements must be made at the time of registration.

REFUND POLICY

Only in cases where the College cancels class or a student withdraws prior to the first day of the semester (or prior to the first day of class for those classes with a delayed start) will full tuition and fees be refunded. After that time, students who totally withdraw from ALL of their classes will have their tuition adjusted according to the schedule listed on the [ACADEMIC CALENDAR](#) webpage. Refunds are not made for partial withdrawals or administrative withdrawals.

*** FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE AFTER THE 100% REFUND PERIOD. NO EXCEPTIONS.**

Contact the Business Office for additional details on the tuition refund policy or see the college catalog.

MAKING PAYMENT

WVNCC accepts cash, debit, checks, money orders, cashier's checks, or credit cards (American Express, VISA, Master Card, and Discover). Payment can be made in person at the Business Office on the Wheeling campus or the Weirton or New Martinsville Campus Service Centers during regular business hours, by mailing a check or money order, by phone with an approved credit card, or via online credit card payments through Northern On the Web. The College also offers an interest-free monthly payment option through the Business Office. For additional information contact the College's Business Office.

VIEW A COPY OF YOUR BILL

Log into the student portal and select the [N.O.W ACCESS](#) button. Select [STUDENT SERVICES](#), then [REGISTRATION](#). Select [STUDENT DETAIL SCHEDULE](#). At the bottom of the schedule, click [VIEW FEE ASSESSMENT](#).

ONLINE PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS

1. TO PAY YOUR TUITION ONLINE BY CREDIT CARD THROUGH THE N.O.W. ACCOUNT:

- Follow the instructions above to view a copy of your bill and determine the amount you need to pay;
- Select [STUDENT SERVICES](#); select [REGISTRATION](#); select [PAY TUITION AND FEES ONLINE BY CREDIT CARD](#);
- Enter your Student ID, telephone number, term, and payment amount, and select [FINISH](#).

OTHER PAYMENT OPTIONS MUST BE ARRANGED BY THE "LAST DAY TO PAY"

- Payment Plan – This agreement allows students to divide payments into 4 installments. This plan is set up directly through the Business Office or Service Center and includes a small fee.
- Third-Party payments (i.e., Vocational Rehabilitation, employer-sponsored payments, etc.) must be documented in the Business Office prior to the last day to pay or, if registering after the last day to pay, upon registration.

STUDENT SERVICES

BOOKSTORE

A link to the College's bookstore is available on the website under [CURRENT STUDENTS](#). Students should enter course information from their schedules to look up the required textbooks. Students are welcome to order these books from the bookstore or use the ISBN information to order from the bookseller of their choice. **Students who intend to sell books back at any WVNCC campus bookstore must obtain a WVNCC student ID card, even if their courses are entirely online.**

STUDENT ID CARDS

Doors to all college buildings, with the exception of the front doors to the Weirton and New Martinsville campus buildings and the front door to the B&O Building on the Wheeling campus, are locked at all times and accessible only via a student ID card. ID cards are issued to registered students who show a valid photo ID at any campus service center. There is no cost for the first card issued to a student; there is a fee for a replacement ID.

PARKING PASSES

Registered students wishing to park on campus during the fall or spring semesters may apply for a parking tag at the Weirton or New Martinsville service centers or in the Business Office on the Wheeling campus. There is no cost for the first parking tag issued to a student; there is a fee for a replacement tag. Parking tags are not required for the summer semester.

TRANSCRIPTS

Students are responsible for submitting requests for official transcripts via the Request a Transcript link, located on the college website under [CURRENT STUDENTS](#). Transcripts can be delivered electronically or printed and mailed, and there is a small fee for each transcript requested.

TEXT ALERT

The College uses a text alert system to send routine and emergency notifications to faculty, staff, and students. Weather alerts, campus emergencies, campus closings, and other urgent information will be shared via the text alert and other methods. Students who provide the college with a valid cell phone are automatically signed up for the text alert system, and can opt out at any time by replying to text messages they receive.

PROTECTING STUDENT PRIVACY

In accordance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) of 1974, WVNCC will only disclose confidential information from the education records of students to parents or other third parties with written consent from the student on file. To obtain a FERPA Release Authorization, see the College website or visit any campus service center.

LIBRARY SERVICES

Each campus of West Virginia Northern Community College has a separate Library/Learning Resource Center (LRC). A wide variety of resources, both print and non-print, are available to students, faculty, and staff. To access the library webpage, catalog, and many electronic resources and databases, look for the [LIBRARY](#) link under [CURRENT STUDENTS](#) or in the Student Portal. Each campus LRC has a number of computers available to students for research, class assignments, word processing, and Internet searching. Individual and group instruction for research or any of the LRC resources is available at each campus from the LRC staff.

ACADEMIC SUPPORT CENTERS

Academic Support Centers (ASCs) are located on all three campuses and provide support services like free tutoring, accessibility services, assistive technology, advising, and retention initiatives. For more information, view the ASC webpage under [CURRENT STUDENTS](#) or contact 304-214-8923 or asc@wvncc.edu.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

Early Entrance students registered for courses at WVNCC are welcome to participate in Student Activity events offered throughout the year. Activities are advertised through the website's calendar of events as well as through WVNCC email. For more information, see the college webpage under [STUDENT LIFE](#) or contact the Director of Student Activities at 304-214-8917.

BLACKBOARD INFORMATION

Online courses at WVNCC are conducted through Blackboard. Many on-campus instructors also utilize Blackboard to supplement their in-class instruction.

TO ACCESS BLACKBOARD

1. Log into your [Student Portal](#) on the college website;
2. Click on the [Blackboard Learning Systems](#) button. You should be automatically logged into the system;
3. Under [My Courses](#), click on the course that you want to access. Everything you need for class, including assignments, syllabus, and assessments should be accessible at this site.

If you have trouble accessing your Blackboard account, contact Kim Patterson at kpatterson@wvncc.edu or 304-214-8907. After hours, you can access the WVNET Blackboard Helpdesk at 1-800-253-1558 (press 1 for the Helpdesk).

TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

Your computer system needs certain hardware and software specifications in order to run Blackboard. If your computer system does not have these specifications, you can use the computers in the library or other labs available at WVNCC. See the [ONLINE COURSES](#) page on the website under [CURRENT STUDENTS](#) for details.

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